(c) whether it is necessary for the AICTE to insist that applicants must come to Delhi and wait endlessly here for permissions, etc;

(d) the number of specific applications from Andhra Pradesh pending for the last three years; and

(e) the details of such applications pending with the AICTE?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) According to AICTE, during the academic year 2005-06, they had invited applications for a block period of three years (i.e. 2005-08). All the applications were duly considered by them without any delay at any stage and the proposals that fully complied with all the norms for establishment of new technical institutions were granted approval. Only the applications, which were having one or more deficiency in respect to compliance of norms, have been transferred to the next academic year.

The decisions of AICTE in respect of approval for technical institutes, additional courses, increase in intake etc. are displayed on its website *www.aicte.ernet.in* which is updated regularly. The stakeholders are informed about availability of the information on website through public notices. Individual letters are also sent to the applicants.

(d) and (e) There are 25 such proposals, which have not yet been approved due to certain deficiencies.

Replacement of Old Marksheets

2778. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the CBSE has announced that all the old marksheets would be destroyed;

(b) the details of the policy of the CBSE to maintain records and also fix a certain date to destroy all old school records;

(c) whether it is a fact that the CBSE could better maintain such records through use of computerization, etc.;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the CBSE has not been able to upgrade its system of issuing duplicate certificates to the students in an efficient manner; and

(e) the steps proposed to obtain advice on how to deal with such tasks of helping the students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) issues a public notice and prepare a detailed weeding out schedule and accordingly, records are maintained and weeded out.

(c) Yes, Sir. After introduction of computerization, records are being maintained both in soft as well as hard form.

(d) and (e) No, Sir. Duplicate certificates are issued by CBSE efficiently and with a reasonable time period.

Centres of Indian Institutes of Science

†2779. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA:
SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to set up centres of Indian Institute of Science;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount likely to be spent on setting up these centres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The Cabinet, in its meeting held on 27.10.2005 approved setting up of two Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research in Kolkata, West Bengal and Pune, Maharashtra at a cost of Rs. 500.00 crores each.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.